UK Open Call for Participation in the 2020 NEON Curatorial Exchange: London to Greece

The Whitechapel Gallery, London and NEON, Athens, invite emerging curators to apply for the 9th annual NEON Curatorial Exchange.

The exchange offers the opportunity for young curators based in the UK to be introduced to the diverse Greek art scene, to connect with colleagues abroad, and to exchange ideas and experiences.

An organised trip to Athens will take place between 12–16 July 2020 (exact travel dates to be confirmed). The programme will include presentations and talks by gallery directors and curators as well as meetings with leading figures from the Greek art scene. Participants will follow an organised itinerary visiting a number of galleries and artists’ studios providing opportunities to network.

Applications are reviewed by the Whitechapel Gallery and NEON.

All travel expenses including accommodation, flights and per diem are covered by the programme.

All selected participants to the Exchange are entitled to apply to the NEON Curatorial Award. Details on the Award and how to apply will be announced in spring 2020.

Criteria for emerging curators wishing to apply to the 2020 NEON Curatorial Exchange

To qualify, all entrants must:

- Have a very good command of spoken and written English. The working language across all communications as well as the programme is English.
- Be based in the UK regardless of nationality, and be a current student or alumni on the following Masters courses:
  - The Courtauld Institute: Museum Studies
  - Royal College of Art: Curating Contemporary Art
  - Goldsmiths College: Curating

Submission Requirements

All entrants must:

- Liaise with their course leader before applying.
- Submit a covering letter outlining eligibility for the NEON Curatorial Exchange and why you would like to take part, including a statement of 150–200 words on what a curator’s contribution to society is. The total length should be approximately 450 words or one A4 page.
- Submit a curriculum vitae including studies and relevant work experience (paid or voluntary).

Deadline

- The deadline for applications is 31 March at midnight GMT. We regret that we cannot consider late applications.
- All applications should be sent to: CuratorialExchange@whitechapelgallery.org
- The applicant’s name and contact details must be clearly stated in the application.
- Please do not include CDs, DVDs or portfolios.
- Selected participants will be contacted in April 2020.